



# Application for Utility Permit or Franchise

Permit/Franchise No. \_\_\_\_\_

## Applicant - Please print or type all information

Application is Hereby Made For: ☐ Permit ☐ Category 1 \$500.00  
☐ Franchise ☐ Amendment ☐ Category 2 \$300.00  
☐ Franchise Consolidation \$300.00 ☐ Category 3 \$150.00  
☐ Franchise Renewal \$250.00

Intended Use of State Right of Way is to Construct, Operate, and Maintain a:

\_\_\_\_\_ on a portion of

State Route \_\_\_\_\_ (at/from) MilePost \_\_\_\_\_ to Mile Post \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County,

to begin in the \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ North: Range \_\_\_\_\_ West/East W.M.

and end in the \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ North: Range \_\_\_\_\_ West/East W.M.

Fees in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ are paid to defray the basic administrative expense incident to the processing of this application according to WAC 468-34 and RCW 47.44 and amendments. The applicant further promises to pay additional costs incurred by the Department on the behalf of the applicant.

**Checks or Money Orders are to be made payable to "Washington State Department of Transportation."**

Applicant (Referred to as Utility) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Print or Type Name \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Reference (WO) Number \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Tax ID Number or Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Authorization to Occupy Only If Approved Below

The Washington State Department of Transportation referred to as the "Department," hereby grants this document (Permit or Franchise as applicable) subject to the terms and conditions stated in the General Provisions, Special Provisions, and Exhibits attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof: Construction facilities proposed under this application shall begin within one year and must be completed within three years from date of approval.

## For Department Use Only

Exhibits Attached \_\_\_\_\_

## Department Approval

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## General Provisions

1. This document is subject to RCW 47.32, RCW 47.44 and WAC 468-34 and amendments thereto.
2. The Utility, its successors and assigns agree to indemnify, defend and hold the State of Washington, its officers and employees harmless from all claims, demands, damages, expenses or suits that: (1) arise out of or are incident to any negligence by the Utility, its agents, contractors or employees in the use of the highway right of way pursuant to this document or (2) are caused by the breach of any of the conditions of this document by the Utility, its contractors, agents or employees.

Nothing herein shall require the Utility to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Washington and its officers and employees from claims, demands, damages, expenses or suits based solely upon the conduct or negligence of the State of Washington, its agents, officers, employees and contractors and provided further that if the claims, demands, damages, expenses or suits are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (the Utility, its agents, contractors or employees and or any person whomsoever, in connection with Utility's, its assigns', agents', contractors' or employees of the State of Washington, its agents, officers, employees and contractors, the indemnity provisions provided herein shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the Utility's negligence or the negligence of the Utility's agents, employees or contractors.

Any action for damages against the State of Washington, its agents, officers, contractors or employees arising out of damages to a utility or other facility located on the highway right of way shall be subject to the provisions of RCW 47.44.150.

The Utility, and on behalf of its assigning, agents, licensees, contractors and employees agrees to waive any claims for losses, expenses, damages or lost revenues incurred by it or its agents, contractors, licenses, employees or customers in connection with Utility's, its assigns' agents', contractor's licensees' or employee's construction, installation, maintenance, operation, use or occupancy of the right of way or in the exercise of this document against the State of Washington, its agents, or employees except the reasonable costs of repair to property resulting from the negligent injury or damage to Utility's property by the State of Washington, its agents, contractors or employees.

3. Whenever necessary for the construction, repair, improvement, alteration, or relocation of all or any portion of said highway as determined by the Department, or in the event that the lands upon which said highway is presently located shall become a new highway or part of a limited access highway, or if the Department shall determine that the removal of any or all facilities from the said lands is necessary, incidental, or convenient to the construction, repair, improvement, alteration, or relocation of any public road or street, the Utility shall, upon notice by the Department, relocate or remove any or all of such facilities from said highway as may be required by the Department at the sole expense of the Utility to whom this document is issued or their successors and assigns.
4. All such changes, reconstruction, or relocation by the Utility shall be done in such manner as will cause the least interference with any of the Department's performance in the operation and maintenance of the highway.
5. This document shall not be deemed or held to be an exclusive one and shall not prohibit the Department from granting rights of like or other nature or other public or private utilities, nor shall it prevent the Department from using any of its roads, streets, or public places, or affect its right to full supervision and control over all or any part of them, none of which is hereby surrendered.
6. The department may revoke, amend, or cancel this permit at any time by giving written notice to the Utility. The Utility shall immediately remove all facilities from the right of way. Any facilities remaining upon the right of way 30 days after written notice of cancellation will be removed by the Department at the expense of the Utility.
7. Any breach of any of the conditions and requirements herein made, or failure on the part of the Utility of this franchise to proceed with due diligence and in good faith with construction work hereunder shall subject this franchise to cancellation after a hearing before the Department, of which said hearing the Utility shall be given at least 10 days written notice, if at that time the Utility is a resident or is doing business in the State of Washington; otherwise, by publishing a notice of said hearing once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Thurston County, Washington, the last publication to be at least 10 days before the date fixed for said hearing.
8. The Utility shall maintain at its sole expense the structure or object for which this document is granted in a condition satisfactory to the Department.
9. Upon failure, neglect, or refusal of the Utility to immediately do and perform any change, removal, relaying, or relocating of any facilities, or any repairs or reconstruction of said highway herein required of the Utility, the Department may undertake and perform such requirement, and the cost and expense thereof shall be immediately repaid to the Department by the Utility.
10. Upon approval of this document, the Utility shall diligently proceed with the work and comply with all provisions herein.
11. Whenever it is deemed necessary for the benefit and safety of the traveling public, the Department hereby reserves the right to attach and maintain upon any facility by the Utility under this document any required traffic control devices, such as traffic signals, luminaires, and overhead suspended signs, when the use of such devices or attachments does not interfere with the use for which the facility was constructed. The Department shall bear the cost of attachment and maintenance of such traffic control devices, including the reasonable cost of any extra construction beyond normal; such extra cost to be determined jointly by the Department and the Utility of this document. It is not to be construed that the Department is to share in the normal cost of installation, operation, or maintenance of any of the facilities installed under this document.
12. No assignment or transfer of this franchise in any manner whatsoever shall be valid nor vest any rights hereby granted until the Department consents thereto and the assignee accepts all terms of this franchise. Attempting to assign this franchise without Department consent shall be cause for cancellation as herein provided.
13. No excavation shall be made or obstacle placed within the limits of the State highway in such a manner as to interfere with the travel over said road unless authorized by the Department.
14. If the work done under this document interferes in any way with the drainage of the State highway, the Utility shall wholly and at its own expense make such provisions as the Department may direct to take care of said drainage.
15. On completion of this work, all rubbish and debris shall be immediately removed and the roadway and roadside shall be left neat and presentable and satisfactory to the Department.
16. All of the work shall be done to the satisfaction of the Department, and all costs incurred by the Department shall be reimbursed by the Utility.
17. The Utility pledges that performance of routine cutting and trimming work will be accomplished in such a manner that the roadside appearance will not be disfigured. When major work is involved or damage to roadside appearance may become significant, the Utility shall secure the approval of the Department in advance of the work.
18. The Utility hereby certifies that the facilities described in this document are in compliance with the Control Zone Guidelines.